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Local Matters

OFF FOR WORCESTER

The members of Kolah Grotto started for Worcester on Friday to take part in the annual field day and outing of the New England Grotto Association. They are confident of bringing home a number of prizes that have been offered for various events, especially for appearance in the big parade that will be held Saturday morning. The trip from Newport to Worcester was made by auto, leaving here at various times during the day from early morning until late in the afternoon.

The principal events of the field day will take place on Saturday. The big parade will start at 11:00 o'clock, and will be made up of representatives from every Grotto in New England, most of them bringing their own bands. Kolah will be headed by Monarch William A. Perkins and the Grotto officers. Then will come the Band and Drum Corps under Drum Major Harold G. Burdick, followed by the Patrol under Captain Winfield S. Congdon. Next will come a spectacular feature that is as yet a secret, and the members of Kolah will follow in striking and distinctive costume. Every man in Kolah expects to bring home the cup for finest appearance.

After the parade there will be various events including a competitive drill. In this Kelah Patrol hopes to get a leg on the cup that has been in competition for some time. Subrah Grotto of Providence has won twice and a third win would bring the cup into their possession, but Kolah has other plans. There will, perhaps, be a Drum Corps competition, and if so Kolah will be represented.

Some of the local members will return to Newport Saturday night, while others will remain in Worcester until the next day.

The Chamber of Commerce is taking a referendum among its members on the advisability of a change of form of municipal government. Three questions are asked of each member: first, if a change is favored, and then which of two forms—the commission or the city manager form—is favored. The circular goes at some length into an explanation of each form, setting forth the advantages claimed and the disadvantages of each form. Next Monday is the date set for returning the answers to the questions, and it will then be learned whether or not a majority of the Chamber is desirous of getting rid of the present incubus.

Two men named L. W. Lyon and Edward W. Lahse of West Haven, Conn., had a very narrow escape from death off Block Island last Saturday, when their power boat sank with little warning. They clung to an ice box for hours and believed that the end was near at hand, when the fishing steamer, William A. Wells, happened along, picked the men up, and brought them to Newport. In their last extremity the men wrote several messages on the ice box, which is now on the wharf in the rear of the Boston Store, where it has been seen by many Newporters.

Many Newport parties are touring through the mountains of New Hampshire by automobile. The foliage will soon be at its best. The Mohawk Trail is also an attraction for local residents at this season.

Dr. Horatio R. Storer is reported as considerably improved, after having been somewhat indisposed for several days.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The public school committee found a number of matters for consideration at its monthly meeting on Monday evening, the first for the school year. As the schools had opened for the year's work on that day, the report of Superintendent Loll was necessarily verbal and somewhat incomplete, but he told of conditions as he found them at the opening. The registration was considerably larger than last year, both in the Rogers and in the lower grades, and he felt that there were more pupils yet to be enrolled. There was much congestion in some of the lower grades, but this he believed could be overcome by transferring pupils from some of the crowded schools to other buildings where the congestion was less. In some cases, this would work a hardship and some objections might be interposed by parents, but he felt that it would have to be done.

The Rogers High School extension and the new Sheffield School, neither of which have been turned over to the School department, were in use by consent of President Hughes of the board of aldermen. At the Sheffield School the overflow from the Coggeshall had been disposed of. There is much work yet to be done there. The Rogers extension is not yet completely furnished, but the pupils have been placed there. The incomplete conditions at these new buildings was the cause of considerable comment among the members of the board.

The report of the finance committee showed that there would shortly be a shortage in the appropriation for light and power, due to the use of drying apparatus in the new buildings. On recommendation of the committee on teachers a few changes were made in the teaching force, due to resignations. It was suggested that a new teacher might be required in the Rogers. Mr. Bacheller, for the committee on buildings, reported that the conditions would probably go through the year on the present appropriations, but there are some major repairs that will need to be done soon. The committee on evening schools was directed to prepare the schedule for the evening classes as usual, and it was suggested that possibly the machinists' classes might be omitted.

There was considerable discussion over the use of the assembly hall in the new Rogers by outside parties. A protest had been received some time ago from the owners of public halls asking that the High School Hall should not come into competition with private enterprises on which taxes are paid. It was agreed that at present the School Committee has no authority over the hall and that all requests for its use must go to the board of aldermen until the building is turned over to the department. The committee on Rogers High School was directed to formulate regulations for the use of the hall for the consideration of the committee.

The good work of Headmaster Thompson of the Rogers in getting his school into good condition on the opening day was favorably commented upon by Mr. Clarke.

It is stated that when Oakland Farm comes into the possession of Mr. William H. Vanderbilt, he will conduct it along lines similar to those of the past. Preparations are being made for extensive alterations and improvements, and particular attention will be paid to the horse department. Mr. Vanderbilt will take possession within a few months, and it is expected that by next summer Oakland Farm will be one of the show places of the vicinity.

A great deal of building work is going on in Newport this fall and the indications are that a large number of mechanics will be kept busy all winter. As soon as the transfer of the Rough Point property is completed, Mr. James B. Duke will put a large force of men at work there. It is said that the cost of repairs and improvements to the estate will approximate a half-million dollars.

An automobile from Portland, Ore., equipped with a complete wireless outfit, has attracted much attention on the streets of Newport. The owner, Mr. Bond, has toured the entire country, and after completing the New England states, will head for the South to pass the winter.

Mr. John W. Armstrong, who died at his home in Providence on Monday, was for many years purser on the steamer Mount Hope, and as such had a wide acquaintance with the residents of Newport and Block Island. He was of a very genial and companionable disposition with a host of friends.

WICKFORD LINE PROBLEM

The coming discontinuance of the Wickford Line is giving grave concern to a large portion of Newport. It seems certain that the New Haven road will not again operate this line after the service is discontinued on September 24. Their reasons for this action are very simple, merely that it has cost the company many thousands of dollars each year in direct loss to keep the line in operation. Some time ago Mayor Mahoney suggested to representatives of the Company that the \$10,000 which the company pays the city in taxes might be remitted if the line would be kept open, but this did not seem to interest the management, as their loss far exceeds that sum annually.

Representatives of the city, of the Chamber of Commerce, and of the Newport Improvement Association are working hard to devise a plan whereby there may be a good New York connection across the Bay. Many plans have been suggested, but no feasible scheme has yet been worked out. A public meeting has been called for next Monday at which all will have an opportunity to express their sentiments.

It is felt that a faster vessel than the General, and one that is less expensive to operate, is imperatively needed. Also it is believed by some that expense might be lessened and convenience increased if the transfer station should be at East Greenwich instead of at Wickford. It is pointed out by those in favor of this plan that the short rail trip from Wickford Junction to Wickford Landing, involving an extra train and the transfer of passengers and baggage would be obviated, as the railway runs near the Bay at East Greenwich. It would mean a trifle longer steamer run from East Greenwich than from Wickford.

Some sort of good connection with the Shore line trains is regarded as absolutely essential for the future of Newport. While Vincent Astor's air service will be a convenience for a few of the younger persons, it is not of course feasible as the only quick means of communication between New York and Newport. Many minds are now working on the problem and it is hoped that a solution may be worked out before the winter sets in.

FIRE IN MIDDLETOWN

A house and barn across the beach in the town of Middletown were destroyed by fire early Sunday morning under circumstances that lead strongly to a belief in incendiarism. There have been many fires of unknown origin in that same locality, including the burning of the large canning factory some months ago. In consequence the residents have become considerably excited over the conditions.

The fires Sunday morning destroyed an unoccupied cottage belonging to Emidio Papa, and a barn belonging to James McQuinn. There were apparently two distinct fires, as the two buildings were considerable distance apart, and there were no indications of sparks having travelled from one to the other. The Middletown fire apparatus answered its first call, and some of the Newport machines went to the scene, but nothing could be done by any of them.

John J. Denahue died of hemorrhage of the brain at the Police Station Sunday morning, having been taken there from the Newport Hospital. About midnight he fell down the hatch of a fishing steamer at the wharf of the Newport Coal Company and was hurried to the Hospital, where it was thought that he was not seriously injured. He was taken to the Police Station in an unconscious condition, and after a few hours was found dead there.

Although the local theatrical situation has not yet cleared, some definite steps have been taken for preparing some of the houses for opening. The Colonial will have a musical comedy today. The Opera House and Bijou are still in the hands of keepers pending a settlement, either in court or outside, but both are being renovated preparatory to re-opening.

A proposition to change the form of heating plant at Channing Memorial Church has been under consideration for some time. It has been suggested that the substitution of hot air furnaces for the hot water system will obviate the necessity of keeping fires going continually and thus save much coal.

New bath houses are being added to the equipment at Bailey's Beach. The demand for accommodations there has been unusually large this summer.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

At the weekly meeting of the board of aldermen on Thursday evening, a protest was received from the Newport Improvement Association and from neighbors, against the license which had been granted to Thomas Curtis to convert the old Lawton livery stables at Spring and Touro streets into a garage. There was considerable discussion of the matter. Mr. William R. Harvey appeared before the board in opposition to the license, representing Dr. Sherman and Dr. Sullivan, two neighbors. He claimed that the garage would be an additional menace in an already congested neighborhood, and suggested that if a new court house should be built it would be very near there. City Solicitor Sullivan was called upon for an opinion as to the legal aspect of the case. Mr. Curtis, the owner, stated that rather than increase the menace from fire, it would be lessened, as the building would be absolutely fireproof. The members of the board decided to take no action.

A request for the use of the Rogers Assembly Hall by the Newport County Boy Scout Council on September 20, was granted, this request being forwarded from the School Committee. Mr. Hughes then stated that, contrary to opinion expressed in the School Committee, the Rogers Extension was practically completed, and that the building committee had a substantial sum remaining on hand. A large amount of routing business was transacted. Many licenses were granted, and bids for supplies for the fire department were referred to the city clerk for tabulation.

WILLIAM ALLAN

Mr. William Allan, for a number of years gardener on the estate of Mrs. Alexander Hamilton Rice, died at the Newport Hospital after a long illness. He had been in poor health for nearly six months and recently he had failed steadily.

Mr. Allan was sixty-five years of age, and was a son of the late William Allan, who was a well known gardener. He was for several years head gardener on the estate of Mrs. Henry Barton Jacobs, leaving there to accept a similar position with Mrs. Rice. He was a great lover of dogs and was an expert breeder of Boston terriers, having won many prizes in bench shows all over the country. He was an active member of the Newport Horticultural Society, and was well known in Newport. He is survived by a widow and one daughter, Miss Agnes Allan.

JACKSON CARTER

Mr. Jackson Carter, who died on Monday after a considerable illness, was one of the best known of the colored citizens of Newport. He was in his seventy-sixth year, and for more than forty years had been employed at the local shops of the New England Steamship Company and its predecessors. He had long been active in the work of Mt. Zion M. E. Church. He took a deep interest in politics and was always a power in his party, having a strong following that stood by him implicitly.

Funeral services were held at Mt. Zion Church on Thursday afternoon, and were attended by many friends.

Boyer Lodge, F. & A. M., acted as escort, being accompanied by the Douglass Band. Rev. John A. Robinson and Rev. Aaron T. Peters conducted the services at the church.

The printing of the voting lists has been completed at the Mercury Office and they have now been posted for study by the voters. It will behoove each voter to make sure that his name is on the list and in the right place. Many changes have taken place in two years, and the Board of Canvassers cannot be expected to keep track of everybody.

The Annual Conclave of Washington Commandery, No. 4, K. T., will be held next Wednesday evening. Eminent Sir Asa C. Jewett, Grand Captain General, of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, will preside over the election and install the officers.

Mr. Duncan McLennan, brother of Messrs. John K. and Neil McLennan of this city, died a few days ago at his home in Nova Scotia.

Only one more Sunday of daylight saving for this year. The clocks will be put back to standard time one week from next Sunday.

The Rogers football candidates have been out for practice this week, and hope to have a strong team in the field.

NEWPORT COUNTY FAIR

The annual Newport County Fair will open at the Fair Grounds in Portsmouth on Tuesday next and promises to exceed any of its predecessors in interest. Many new features have been added this year, the most prominent of which is Merchant's Day, which will occur on Tuesday. Much activity is promised for this occasion, the Newport merchants responding freely to the suggestion that they make greater use of the Fair. There will be a trades procession about the city and then over the road to the Fair Grounds. A government airplane will circle over the county during the day, dropping advertising matter and prizes where they can be reached.

Many novel features are scheduled for Tuesday, including a tug-of-war between merchants and farmers, and a baseball game between the same opponents, with all professionals barred. There will be an award of prizes, including a prize for the prettiest girl in Newport County. Automobile "Pigs in Clover" and other attractions will round out the day.

Wednesday will be devoted to the Horse Show and to the first of the auto slow races. Thursday will be Governor's Day, and Governor San Souci and others will speak from the grand stand. Friday will be Children's Day, with prize speaking in the evening. There will be free dancing each evening in May Hall, and prizes will be offered for various dances. The Seventh Artillery Band will be in attendance on each day of the Fair.

The exhibits alone will be well worth seeing. The buildings have been much enlarged since last year, so that it is hoped that there will be little congestion in the various departments. The cattle show alone will be worth going a long way to see, as it is expected to be the best ever shown at this Fair. The premium list for this department has been wholly rearranged so as to make it more attractive for the exhibitors.

There will be more attractions in the Midway than ever before, but the standard of the Fair will be fully maintained in this department as in all others.

Under the able leadership of President I. Lincoln Sherman the Newport County Fair has reached a position second to none in the State, and while there may be a few larger ones in New England, none can excel it in quality.

The annual bazaar of the Y. M. C. A. has drawn a large attendance this week. It has been rather larger than heretofore, with more of the Newport merchants represented. The decorations and illuminations have been unusually fine.

Mr. Herbert Warren Lull, Past Master of Montgomery Lodge, F. & A. M., of Milford, Mass., will be one of the speakers at the observance of the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of that Lodge this evening.

The annual ball of the Newport Horticultural Society was held at the Beach on Thursday evening.

A number of Newporters attended the Washington County Fair at Kingston on Thursday.

MIDDLETOWN

(From our regular correspondent)

Bridge Party Given

The members of St. Columba's Guild gave a very successful bridge party on Tuesday afternoon at Sachuest Lodge, the home of Mrs. Harriet Brownell of Providence. Eight tables were placed upon the piazza and these were filled. The prizes were won by Mrs. J. B. Wordell, Mrs. Thomas B. Peckham, Miss Annie Vernon, Miss Laura Scott, Mrs. Edward Gosling and Mrs. Clifton B. Ward.

Home made candy, cakes and fancy articles were on sale, the candy table being in charge of Mrs. Jeise J. Durfee and Mrs. John Conley, while Mrs. Restcom Peckham and Mrs. Howard R. Peckham sold cakes. Mrs. Nathan Brown had charge of fancy article table, with Mrs. Harriet Brownell in charge of a fancy and useful article table. Tickets of admission were taken by Mrs. John Molden. Miss Alice Brownell sold flowers from the garden. Sandwiches and tea were served. Mrs. James Swan, Mrs. Everett Kline and Mrs. Daniel Peckham, Mrs. William T. Peckham, Miss Alice Brownell and Miss Elizabeth Hart.

Miss Amy Denney has returned to Providence, where she will take up her duties as instructor of mathematics at the Rhode Island College of Education.

The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the late Stephen P. Weaver are at the old home on Brown's Lane last Saturday to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of his birth. Mr. Weaver was born on September 9, 1822, at the house which is still standing on the land belonging to the St. Columba Cemetery. Supper was eaten on the shore and an enjoyable time was spent.

Miss Florence Caswell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Caswell, has gone to Wellesley, Mass., where she will enter Dana Hall School.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Chase and Mrs. Clarence Thurston left Wednesday for a two weeks' visit in North Woodstock, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Honnen of Newport have leased the cottage on the East Main Road opposite Wyatt Road.

The regular meeting of Sarah Rebekah Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., was held at Oakland Hall on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Greason are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

Miss Grace Anthony has gone to Providence to take up her duties in the public schools.

The first meeting of the year of the Oliphant Parent-Teachers' Association was held at the Oliphant School on Tuesday. The president, Mrs. Martha Bliss, presided. After the regular routine business, plans were discussed for the winter's program.

Miss Mary Mulligan, who has been spending the summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Mulligan, has resumed her duties at the Junior High School at Hope Valley.

The Middletown fire apparatus made its first trip early Sunday morning. An unoccupied cottage and barn on Reservoir Avenue caught fire, but although the department responded promptly and worked well, the buildings were totally destroyed. Help was sent from Newport, but little could be done, so the apparatus returned at once. The local machine

The CROSS-CUT

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—At Thornton Fairchild learns there has been a dark period in his father's life which for almost thirty years has caused him suffering. The secret is hinted at in a document left by the elder Fairchild, which also informs Robert he is now owner of a mining claim in Colorado, and advising him to see Henry Beaman, a lawyer.

CHAPTER II.—Beaman tells Robert his claim, a silver mine, is at Ohadi, thirty-eight miles from Denver. He also warns him against a certain man, "Squint" Rodaine, his father's enemy. Robert decides to go to Ohadi.

CHAPTER III.—On the road to Ohadi from Denver, Fairchild meets a girl, apparently in a frenzy of haste, who asks him to drive her to Ohadi. When she left, the sheriff and a posse appear, in pursuit of a bandit. Fairchild bewildered, misleads them as to the direction the girl had taken.

CHAPTER IV.—At Ohadi Fairchild is warmly greeted by "Mother" Howard, boarding-house keeper, for his father's sake.

CHAPTER V.—From Mother Howard, Fairchild learns something of the mystery connected with the disappearance of "Squint" Larsen, his father's co-worker in the mine. He meets the girl he had assisted, but she denies her identity. She is Anita Richmond, Judge Richmond's daughter.

CHAPTER VI.—Visiting his claim, Fairchild is shadowed by a man he recognizes from descriptions as "Squint" Rodaine. Back in Ohadi, his father's old friend, Harry Harkins, a Cornishman, advanced from England by Bearnish to help Fairchild, hauls him with joy.

CHAPTER VII.—The pair find the mine flooded, and have not sufficient funds to keep it dry. Later in the day Harkins' men come and find the mine practically dry. Harkins falls into the flooded mine, and evidently is drowned.

CHAPTER VIII.—Harkins being a general worker, the older population turns to him for help. When he is asked what the work is, he replies, "I'm here to help." Apparently surprised at the question, it had been a broad stroke on his part to get the mind pumped out without trace to himself or Fairchild, and the man takes it as a good joke.

CHAPTER IX.—Fairchild learns that Judge Richmond is dying, and that he and Anita are in the power of the Rodaines. They begin as prisoners to the mine. In their hearts both fear Larsen was killed by Thornton Fairchild and his body buried by a cave-in which destroyed the mine. At the "Old Times Ball" Fairchild dances with Anita, son of "Squint." It is suggested to be engaged to the girl. A bandit holds up the dance and is shot dead by Harry Harkins. Rodaine slates his recognition of the bandit as Harkins. The latter is arrested. Fairchild interferes to save Anita from the bullying of the two Rodaines, and is mystified at Anita's apparent ingratitude.

CHAPTER X.—Fairchild puts up the claim as bond, and secures Harry's release from jail. They are offered \$20,000 for the claim by an unknown party, but agree to disregard it. Clearing the mine, they come to where they fear to do Larsen's bidding.

CHAPTER XI.—A skeleton, in a miner's costume, which Harkins identifies as Larsen, is there, and there seems little doubt that Thornton Fairchild was a murderer.

CHAPTER XII.—Fairchild informs the coroner of the discovery of the skeleton. At the insistence of Crazy Laura, his widow of "Squint" Rodaine, and an acknowledged imbecile, gives damaging testimony against Thornton Fairchild. The jury returns a verdict that Larsen came to his death at Thornton Fairchild's hands. Anita's engagement to Maurice Rodaine is announced.

CHAPTER XIII.—Summoned to Denver to receive "important information," Fairchild is offered \$200,000 for the claim, but Fairchild refuses. Returning to Ohadi, he hears of a marvelous strike made in the Silver Queen, Rodaine's mine, which adjoins the Blue Poppy.

CHAPTER XIV.—The capital of the two partners is rapidly increasing. Anita appears to avoid Fairchild, but Harry uncovers what appears to be a vein of silver. Leaving Harry in the mine, Fairchild hastens to have the find assayed.

CHAPTER XV.—The assayer tells Fairchild the vein is almost solid silver. Hastening back, he finds the mine destroyed by a cave-in, and Harry gone.

CHAPTER XVI.—A note from Anita puts Fairchild on Rodaine's track. He follows her enemy to the home of "Crazy Laura" and hears him plot the murder of Harry, whom the woman had had in the house, in an unconscious state.

CHAPTER XVII.—In the absence of the Rodaines, Fairchild gets Harry from the house, and a hospital. He has been drugged by the crazy woman, but makes a quick recovery. He tells of his escape from the mine through an unsecured passage. Judge Richmond dies, leaving Anita friendless. Anita visits the partners in the mine, seeking Fairchild's aid against the Rodaines. Startled by a mysterious noise, the three take refuge in the passage which Harry had found.

CHAPTER XVIII.—They find evidence of the existence of a "cross-cut" from the Silver Queen. Rodaine has been working the Blue Poppy vein. Two of Rodaine's henchmen, Blindeye Bozeman and Taylor Bill, are captured. Taylor Bill admits the robbery of the Blue Poppy and also that it was the man who held up the "Old Times Dance" for which Harry is under indictment.

CHAPTER XIX.

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"I can walk now. We can get along so much faster!" came her plea. "I'll hold on to you—and you can help me along."

Fairchild released her and she seized his arm. Once, as they floundered through a knee-high mass, Fairchild's arm went quickly about her waist and he lifted her against him as he literally carried her through. When they reached the other side, the arm still held its place—and she did not resist. Some way, after that, the stretch of road faded swiftly. Almost before he realized it, they were at the outskirts of the city.

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ALL ABOUT RAIN

By a Man Who Evidently Has Studied the Subject.

Some Few Facts May Have Been Overlooked, But in General It Will Be Found Pretty Comprehensive.

"Rain," said the man who presides over the fortunes of the all-night lunch room, "is a phenomenon familiar to all of us from our early years. Scientists tell us that rain is the moisture which makes the clouds before it is condensed into rain drops by coming into contact with colder air currents, and that is very interesting."

"There are certain other interesting facts connected with rain. I have spent much time in collecting them. Rain can be confidently expected to fall on the Fourth of July, on the 17th of March, on the dates of weddings, open-air prize fights, and inaugurations of the Presidents, when it sometimes appears frozen and is then called snow. It can be looked for with assurance on other occasions too numerous to mention and it comes frequently in defiance of all known rules."

"There are certain cities in this country which support a game called baseball," he continued. "In these cities, rain is famous principally because it produces what are known as doubleheaders, an arrangement much in favor among certain admirers of the sport."

"In the days before children were deprived of the pleasure of risking their lives with fireworks in celebration of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, each Fourth of July, rain was hailed with delight on that anniversary by certain bonyous men and women. It exerted a dampening influence on the dangers of the day, tended to reduce the noise of the occasion and made it almost impossible to set roofs on fire with skyrocket and powder crackers."

"But today almost the only persons who welcome rain are the husbands and fathers of the land, who seek excuses for accompanying their wives and children to places of so-called amusement and who, by some strange superstition, regard a holiday as a period in which to rest. Rain is especially unwelcome on days like the Fourth of July to the people whose profits depend on the assembling of thousands of patriotic celebrators in the open air."

"Aside from holidays, rain is deemed a valuable stock in trade by farmers, gardeners, the manufacturers of rubbers, raincoats, and umbrellas. Housewives usually object to it, because in all the centuries of civilization the male members of families have never learned the real use of the mat at the front door with 'Welcome' written on it."

"Rain is sometimes, but not often, useful as an inspiration to poets, advertisement illustrators and people with bad tempers. The last class often waxes really eloquent when the gentle drops fall from the clouds."

"He told me that he had just been presented with something from over the border that rendered him immune to the ill's attendant upon rain, called me a crass materialist and went out thinking of violets, I guess, because he forgot to pay for his coffee!"—Providence Journal.

Do We Laugh in Dreams?

Why do we have no sense of humor while we are dreaming? And why do we take almost everything as a matter of course?

In our waking moments we should be surprised if a fat Chinese guest were to swim like a goldfish through the dining room where Lloyd George is gratefully eating a mud pie brought in by a little girl whose hair is done up in eight pigtail, and a tailor is applying an immense flatiron to the coat which its owner is wearing while he is smoking a saxophone, and a swarthy man is chopping up books and cordoning them in the center of the room.

Perhaps we do laugh while we dream, and then forget that we laughed.—Life.

Religious Freedom Under Bolsheviks.
The baptism of children will not be allowed in Russia in the future. The supreme council of the church, which is under Soviet control, is elaborating a new church law dealing with baptism. In this the age of baptism is fixed at eighteen, and the consent of the person concerned must be obtained in writing and filed with the authorities.

Selling Is Believing.
Jane, age four, had just come in from four hours in the sand pile and was having a prolonged session in the bathroom with her mother. "Jane, your hands are simply frightful," exclaimed mother, considering the possible use of a scrub brush. "But, mother," retorted Jane, "you can't see my knees; they're more frightened than my hands."

Sentiment Analyzed.
By the way, why is it that the poor always eat crusts? What do they do with the soft part of the loaf? We never heard of a poor man, not in literature, we mean, who didn't make his meal solely on the crust of his bread.—From the Kansas City Star.

MIRACLE HEALER OF PORTO RICO

Julieta Vasquez Attracts Immense Throngs to San Lorenzo Every Week.

CRIPPLES CROWD THE ROADS

Healing Waters Come From a Spring but They Don't Work Until the Woman Has Blessed Them.

San Juan, Porto Rico.—Extra policemen have been detailed for duty at San Lorenzo to help handle the crowds drawn there from Wednesday night to late Friday each week by the stories of apparent cures by Julia Vasquez, the "healer of San Lorenzo."

Hundreds, if not thousands, of automobiles carrying the sick, lame and curious have been visiting San Lorenzo, and so great have been the traffic jams that there have been complaints to the police that the San Lorenzo road was impassable. On a recent Thursday there was a line of motors two miles long on each side of the roadway waiting for people who are rapidly wading into broad trails the cow path that leads up the steep hills to the spring from which the supposedly healing waters come.

Thousands visit "Healer." Thousands go by motor to the "healer," and more thousands on foot. From Caguas and other nearby towns there has sprung up a regular motor service to and from the place of "miracles." People go by truckloads. They go in carriages, carts and some are carried.

Stories of "miracles" are spread with wonderful rapidity through the crowd each day, and there are reports of people coming from Santo Domingo or the Virgin Islands to get the waters blessed by the "healer." Some make a festa of it; others are almost reverential.

The healing spring is about a mile from the town where the "healer" lives. Near the spring a palm-covered pavilion sheltering 400 to 600 people has been erected. There Thursdays and Fridays the healer sits in a chair on a raised platform and receives the sick.

She Magnetizes Water.

Arnold W. Braguer, the New York architect who recently declined a \$20,000 salary from the Pennsylvania government because he thought himself sufficiently well paid for his work already, said at a dinner in Philadelphia:

Frequently the "healer" is aroused from her trances with great difficulty. Her father and a brother assist her. Her "power" is supposed to have been passed on to her, while the spring waters for many years have been reputed to have healing qualities. It was about two months ago that the "healer" first attracted attention. Since then her fame has spread throughout the island.

LIVED MORE THAN 100 YEARS

Tennessean Told at Nineteen That He Would Die of Tuberculosis in Two Years.

Nashville, Tenn.—John D. Murray of Franklin, Tenn., a farmer, was told at the age of nineteen years he would die within two years of tuberculosis. But he has celebrated his one hundredth birthday. His grandchildren and great-grandchildren, together with a great part of the population of Williamson county, joined in honoring the centenarian at a monster birthday picnic.

Murray declares he has never gambled, danced or attended a theater. He never drinks intoxicating liquor except for medicinal purposes, and says that altogether he has never drunk more than half a gallon. He smoked cigars for a while to cure neuralgia, he says, but they made him so nervous he had to quit.

Murray was a kinsman of President James Buchanan, and was acquainted with James K. Polk, Andrew Jackson, Grover Cleveland and Andrew Johnson.

People Pray at Meteor Falls.

Wynyard, Saskatchewan.—The residents of this section were swapping accounts of their experience when a meteor fell in the Big Quill river with a great roar and explosion that frightened people and shook the countryside for miles around. Great clouds of steam and smoke shot through the clear sky and many climbed upon house tops, some to see the phenomenon and others to pray. People in the vicinity of Saskatoon made a search for meteors following reports that such bodies had fallen in three points in Saskatchewan.

Prayer Gives Him Speech.

Clarksville, W. Va.—Clarence McAfee, a ten-year-old boy, mute since his birth, suddenly recovered his speech after praying for it at the alter of a tented church, where evangelistic services had been carried on by the Pentecostal denomination, at Broad Oaks, according to Mrs. Ida Trickett of Sturgis, Mich., the evangelist in charge. Those acquainted with the boy say he had not spoken before. The altered miracle is related for by various persons of the city who were in attendance at the meeting.

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WOMEN THE CHIEF WORKERS

In Welsh Community That Was Founded by Flemings, Gentle Sex Shoulders Life's Responsibilities.

About twenty miles up the marvelous harbor of Milford, in Wales, is a little village tucked away in a creek. Here live and die a small settlement of people whose ancestors were Flemish.

In the reign of Henry II, a band of weavers was sent over from Flanders and installed in Haverfordwest castle. They were engaged to make cloth for the nobles of the land.

In the castle they toiled for many years until at last, either tired of work or forgotten by their employers, they left the dreary prison fortress and settled in a small tract of land about eight miles away.

Although many years have passed, the people still keep the customs of their forefathers. The woman's dress is but a slight variation of the dress worn by the Welsh in the olden days.

The women do all the important work. It is no unusual thing to see the women in the courtyard of their villages preparing the calm (a mixture of clay and coal) used for fuel in Pembrokeshire and the man lounging against the wall of the house.

In all things, the women shoulders the responsibilities of life. Before the marriage, the bride-to-be prepares for the struggle of living. Her trade depends upon the possession of a small rowing boat.

To get together sufficient money to buy one, she brews many casks of beer. All her friends are invited to her home to drink the beer, for which they pay. The stancher the friend, the larger the quantity bought! When the beer is sold the boat is bought and the wedding feast is prepared.

Then comes the hard daily round for the girl. Every morning she goes out in the boat and returns with a load of shrimp and cockles.

These are put into panniers which are strapped on the sides of a donkey. With another pannier on her back and a small basket on her arm she trudges into the nearest town, where she hawks her wares from door to door.

How the husband spends his day is secret history! It is hoped that like a dutiful man he prepares the dinner for his tired wife. Perhaps the vegetables and a piece of bacon, which complete the evening meal, are the result of his day's work.—Buffalo Express.

Dead Beat.

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"Some people are puzzled by my action. Well, such people, when it comes to government jobs, don't know the meaning of the word 'honesty.' Speaking etymologically they are as much at sea as the club steward.

"An elderly clubman, after a long sojourn in the Orient, said on his first visit to the club:

"Where's Abraham, my old waiter? Not defunct, I hope?"

"That's what he's done, sir," said the club steward furiously, "with every blessed thing he could lay his hands on!"

Valuable to Mariners.

In a recent speech in New York Senator Marcon, the man who first made wireless communication possible, announced that he has worked out a method of directing radio waves instead of permitting them to scatter broadcast. He does it by means of what he calls "reflectors," the construction of which he did not clearly explain. He believes that the invention will be valuable not only in sending messages in a single direction but in controlling messages that are now sent out to sea from stations on the shore, so that ships can determine their exact distance from land.—Youth's Companion.

She Won.

A young man met his pretty girl cousin the other day for the first time, and was attracted by her.

"I bet you a dime," he said, "that I can kiss you without touching you."

"Of course you can't," replied the girl.

"Well, will you take the bet on?" asked the other.

"Yes," said the girl dubiously.

Her cousin thereupon kissed her.

"Oh, but you did touch me!" exclaimed the girl.

"I know I did," replied the young man, with a grin, "and here's your dime."

Their Choices.

Where will poor Mrs. Gabbins go now that both her daughters are married and living in different cities?

"Well, one son-in-law would like to have her go to Springfield and the other to Brooklyn."

"What a dutiful son-in-law!"

"Not at all. She is the one in Brooklyn who wishes she'd go to Springfield and the one in Springfield who wishes she'd go to Brooklyn."—Boston Transcript.

Sounded Good.

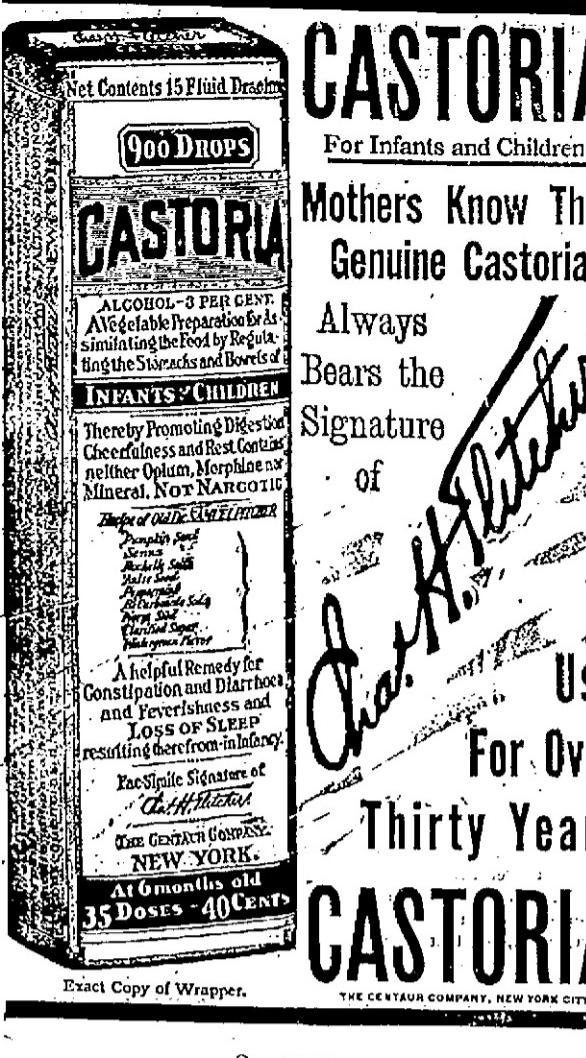
Bright—Better come over to the club tonight; we are going to have a foreign lecturer to speak to us, and a Jugo-Slav.

Green—Sure, I'll come; but what kind of a drink is Slav?

She Keeps It There!

"Time waits for no man"—but hangs around the corner a bit for the average woman.—Life.

An Innerwick (Scotland) farm servant sold six ducks to a buyer living three miles away, whether the birds were conveyed in a hamper. Next day, however, the six ducks turned up at Innerwick again, having traversed the three intervening miles of rough and hilly countryside. How did they find their way all that distance afoot?



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OWNS FLOATING HOME

Pensacola Yacht Club Purchases Concrete Vessel.

Obtains From Government Motorship General William Wilson, Whose Only Voyage Cost Uncle Sam Too Much.

Pensacola, Fla.—The new home of the Pensacola Yacht club, a handsome concrete structure, is about ready for occupancy and the club members think so well of it that when they make the next trip to Mobile in a body they will take the clubhouse along with them to show it to the yachtsmen of the Alabama city. It is a floating clubhouse.

The club has just purchased for less than \$10,000 the army quartermaster motorship General William Wilson, a concrete vessel 130 feet in length, which the government built at an expense of \$350,000. The Wilson is equipped with two powerful gasoline motors, which cost Uncle Sam \$30,000 each, and virtually is a new vessel, having made only one voyage since it was launched.

His only journey was a trip by express from New York to Pensacola, but the voyage proved to be the undoing of the vessel. The motors consumed 50 gallons of gasoline an hour, and even Uncle Sam's bank account would not stand for that. On arrival of the vessel here it was tied up and a recent advertisement for bids for the ship resulted in the local yacht club becoming interested.

The club, for many years, had dreamed of a floating clubhouse eventually, but even the most optimistic members did not contemplate one of concrete or one that could be moved without the assistance of a tug, and when it was learned the Wilson was on the market the members proceeded to file a bid.

With the vessel went all of its equipment, which comprised everything from table silver to bed linen. The ship has accommodations for 60 persons, but having been designed to carry troops, if necessary, there is room aboard for several hundred.

The club expects to dredge a channel in the western part of Pensacola bay as a permanent berth for the vessel; but whenever the club decides to go to a body to Mobile, New Orleans or some other Gulf port, the anchor will be pulled aboard and the clubhouse will make the trip under its own power.

NEW USE FOR THE PUSHBALL



"Pushball Juggling" is the latest innovation of the Eleventh United States cavalry, whose fame for inventing new sports is nationwide. The idea is to stay on top of the ball while making it move forward by propelling it with a walking movement, keeping it in a straight line. An ordinary cavalry pushball is used. The new sport requires a great deal of skill and practice to master.

What Would You Do?
My sister's eldest child is a girl. When she was six years old, twins were born. Soon after this event the family came home for a visit. One day when there was company and we were all seated at the dinner table, Mary's childish voice rang out loud and clear: "Aunt Josephine, what would you do if you had twins?"

Raising Lamb on the Bottle.
An Alberta (Can.) rancher is feeding a valuable lamb with a nipple and bottle. In the middle of May a Merino ewe had a fine lamb, and two weeks later another which was much larger than the first. However, the first lamb had become so thrifty that it barred the other from its natural food. The younger lamb is doing fine on the bottle.

CAPT. GEORGE SHULER

Ejecting Claim Jumpers
In Teapot Oil ReserveAIR QUARTET DIES
AT VERMONT FAIR

Flying Parson and His Two Aviation Associates Drop 3,000 Feet to Doom.

PARACHUTE FAILS TO OPEN

Balloonist Meets Like Fate When, Dropping 1,500 Feet, Parachute Fails to Open—Crowd of 30,000 Sees Fall.

Capt. George Shuler, U. S. marine corps, who left Washington on orders from General Lejeune issued on instructions from Acting Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt for Wyoming with four enlisted men with orders to forcibly eject, if necessary, representatives of the Mutual Oil Company from the Teapot naval oil reserve, 40 miles from Casper.

COAL CONTROL BILL
PASSES IN SENATE

Measure Goes to Conference With House After Amendments are Made.

Washington.—The senate, with a bare majority in attendance, by a vote of 40 to 7 passed the coal distribution and price control bill urged by the administration to prevent profiteering in coal. It was slightly amended, so differences between the house and senate bills must be harmonized in conference.

An amendment, offered by Senator Dial, was adopted, providing that the laws and regulations regarding the assignment of cars shall not be effective on coal contracts entered into prior to July 25, 1922, where the price is not more than \$2 a ton f. o. b. at the mines.

Senator Borah offered several amendments to his bill on a fact-finding commission to bring it within the terms of the agreements reached between the anthracite operators and miners. These were adopted. One provided that the commission should make a separate report on the hard coal industry and conditions surrounding it. The other required that this report should be presented to Congress before July 1, 1923.

Senator Stanley of Kentucky occupied the floor for more than an hour. He denounced this section as flavoring of state socialism and predicted dire results to the country if the commission should submit a recommendation dealing with a nationalization of the mines. He became so severe in his language that Senator Borah took exception, asserting that his utterances were irrelevant to the section. Then Mr. Stanley called Senator Borah a Socialist. The latter laughed and Mr. Stanley spoke some more.

WORLD'S NEWS IN CONDENSED FORM

PHILADELPHIA.—Hoover and fuel administrators of five states, meeting here, pledge enough anthracite to fill all household fuel requirements next winter.

PARIS.—Greece has offered to evacuate Asia Minor on the condition that the Turks grant an immediate armistice.

GENEVA.—An Irish delegation has arrived to seek admission to the League of Nations.

BERLIN.—Hugo Stinnes plans personally to give Belgium the securities demanded of German government by the allies.

MADISON, WIS.—La Follette's lead in Wisconsin primary approaches 200,000 mark. The La Follette candidates all had large pluralities.

MILFORD, DEL.—W. B. Johnson, Delaware's weather sage, predicts a cold winter. For the first time in many years, he declares, oak trees are loaded with acorns.

LONDON.—Arthur Griffith, Irish Free State leader, did not die of natural causes, but was poisoned, according to a story printed by the London Daily Telegraph. Griffith's body has been examined and traces of poison found, the Telegraph says.

HARRISBURG, PA.—All troops at mines in the bituminous coal fields have been ordered withdrawn, according to reports.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Senator La Follette has been renominated by a majority of about 150,000. Governor Blaine's plurality may also reach 125,000.

BELFAST.—Waterford city was subjected to Republican attacks, both from within and without. Fire was directed from the heights overlooking the town and simultaneously by detached bodies of irregulars in the streets.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the old chemistry building, a four-story wooden structure, at Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, including all the equipment. The loss will amount to many thousands of dollars. Members of the chemistry faculty of the college succeeded in saving the valuable library.

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Rutland, Vt.—For a crowd of 30,000 people assembled at the Rutland Fair Grounds a "flying circus" staged with airplanes and balloons, was turned into a tragedy, four participants meeting death. An airplane crashed from a height of 2,000 feet, carrying to their death the pilot, mechanic and a passenger. A few hours later an aeronaut, leaping from a balloon 1,500 feet in the air, was killed when his parachute failed to open.

The dead are Lieut. Belvin W. Maynard, known throughout the country as "the flying parson," pilot of the airplane; Lieut. L. R. Wood of Ticonderoga, N. Y., passenger with Maynard; Charles Monette of Plattsburgh, N. Y., mechanic, and Henry A. (Daredevil) Smith of Boston, an aeronaut.

Lieutenant Maynard and his companions, who had been making daily flights at the fair grounds, fell to earth about 1 o'clock in a field near the grounds. Hardly had the crowd recovered from the shock of this when the second accident came.

Smith, a professional aeronaut, had already made two successful parachute leaps at various altitudes during the afternoon. At his third attempt the parachute was seen to open slightly, then close. Then the aeronaut dropped like a plummet, falling just outside the fence of the grounds.

Smith, who was forty-three years of age, had been giving parachute exhibitions at fairs throughout the east for the last ten years. Two years ago, while attempting a parachute drop from an airplane at Lynn, Mass., he fell 800 feet and was severely injured. The pilot of the plane was killed. The aeronaut claimed that his average was thirty parachute drops a year.

Lieutenant Wood and Monette, who, with Lieutenant Maynard, comprised the personnel of a "flying circus" that had entertained large crowds daily for a week with stunt flying, went up as passengers with Maynard. Both were instantly killed, while Maynard was breathing while spectators rushed to the wreck. He died on the way to a hospital.

The three aviators, using Maynard's machine, took off the field about 1 o'clock for an exhibition flight. They had performed several of the stunts on their program when at an altitude of 2,000 feet Lieutenant Maynard tried a tail spin, apparently believing that he was at greater altitude. The plane refused to respond and fell into a nose dive, landing in a cornfield at the edge of the fair grounds, a mass of wreckage.

Governor Hartness and his staff were among the crowd, which was the largest in the history of the fair.

The body of Lieutenant Maynard was sent to his home at Maynard, N. O. The local post of the American Legion took charge of the arrangements and escorted the coffin to the train.

The death of Belvin W. Maynard, popularly known as "The Flying Parson," removes from the aeronautical world an international figure. Winner of the New York to Toronto and return aerial Derby and the New York to San Francisco race, post-war competitions he became known throughout the world as one of the leading aviators. During the war Lieutenant Maynard was one of the chief test pilots stationed in France, where he tried out hundreds of airplanes sent over for the American forces.

Maynard was a unique personality in aeronautics by reason of his pre-war activities. At the outbreak of the war he was studying for the ministry in the Baptist Seminary at Kerr, N. C. He filed small charges in the country district.

Displaying a remarkable aptitude for air service, Maynard quickly won his wings and was designated a reserve military aviator, with the rank of first lieutenant.

A FALLEN CHAMPION

Francis Dinkey Wrests Marbles Crown From Buster Reich.

Jersey City.—Another national championship has changed hands. Francis Dinkey, a West New York, N. J., boy, wrested from Buster Reich the title at marbles before a gallery of 1,000. Buster held the national championship by virtue of beating all comers at the Philadelphia match last spring. Francis has been assured by Mayor Hague that he will get all the ice cream sodas he can drink.

"COPS" BANDIT LEADERS

Men in Police Uniform in \$50,000 Booz Robbery in New York.

New York.—Prohibition enforcement agents and the police are seeking three policemen—real or fictitious—who led a gang of twenty-five bandits into a storage warehouse, bound and gagged two watchmen and carted off liquor valued at nearly \$50,000.

The watchmen told the authorities they had been summoned to the door by three men attired in police uniforms on a pretext.

Dangerously ill and attended by an aged negro who accompanied her to Plymouth, Mass., from Washington, Mrs. Mary S. Lockwood, writer one of the founders of the Travel Club, and prominent in woman's suffrage work, was taken to the Jordan Hospital. Mrs. Lockwood is 91 years old.

TURKS SWEEP
TOWARD SMYRNA

Victors Marching on Bergama After Capturing 400 Greek Officers and 10,000 Men.

GEN. TRICOUPISS A PRISONER

Thousands Are Being Enrolled to Substitute for Evacuating Greek Armies—Paris Hears Remnant of Greek Army Is Fleeing in Utter Rout.

Constantinople.—A dispatch from Kemalist sources reports that the Turks have occupied Mazelli, Aldin and Soma and are marching on Bergama, about fifty miles northeast of Smyrna.

One Greek army commander, two corps commanders and five colonels were taken prisoner, while other prisoners captured by the Turks include 400 officers and 10,000 men.

It is said the Turks will reject any armistice to the Greeks unless the Greeks consent to the immediate evacuation of the remainder of Anatolia and agree to a French mandate over eastern and western Thrace.

A report is current that the Kemalists have captured General Tricoupi, the new commander in chief of the Greek army in Asia Minor.

While the Turks are hastening to press the Greeks in their drive toward Smyrna the latter are rushing reinforcements to the scene. It is officially announced that all the army corps in the southern group have effected a junction, thus improving the situation.

Smyrna Gates Close Rome.—A dispatch to the Giornale d'Italia from Smyrna says the gates of the city have been closed to exclude the hordes of refugees in flight before the Turkish Nationalist army. British subjects are leaving aboard a British ship, and the families of Greek officials and officers are departing. French and Italian flags have been hoisted over many houses. Reports from Athens predict a revolution in Greece and the return of former Premier Venizelos to power.

Smyrna.—Up to Wednesday night 130,000 refugees of every nationality had collected here. It is reported that allied troops will land here.

A local committee has begun to enroll volunteers to substitute for the evacuating Greek army.

Within Fifty Miles of Smyrna Paris.—Latest advices on the Asia Minor situation declare that all remains of the Greek army is 100,000 men fleeing before the Turkish Nationalists and now less than sixty miles from the Mediterranean. The advices declare it probable that only half that number of Greeks will reach the sea, as organized fighting units of Turks are now within fifty miles of Smyrna and forty miles from the Sea of Marmara.

The Turkish advance since the offensive was launched ten days ago is stated to be more than 130 miles, which experts here say is one of the fastest advances in all the history of wars.

France is in according with England that peace must be made in Asia Minor as soon as possible, but there is a strong feeling here that the Turks will not accept an armistice until their victory is certain and the evacuation of Smyrna assured.

LATEST EVENTS AT WASHINGTON

Mrs. Harding, ill with cold and nervous trouble, has been in bed at the White House ten days.

Secretary of War Weeks calls conference of experts to work out most effective and economical policy for maintenance of National Guard arm of the national defense.

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, through J. P. Noonan, president, and Charles P. Ford, secretary, filed a petition in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia for a permanent injunction restraining local Federal officials from proceeding under the Child Labor Act.

Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, in Senate debate denounces Federal injunction against shop strike as illegal, oppressive and unjust. Senator W. L. Wilson, of Indiana, defended the attorney general's contention.

Constantinople.—Great Britain has sent Field Marshal Lord Plumer, famous World War commander, to take charge of the defense of Constantinople, threatened with attack by the victorious Turks under Mustapha Kemal.

A raccoon, set of John Salvit, a former sailor of Chelsea, Mass., broke loose and caused five casualties in the henyard of Thomas Whitford. The owner of the hen swung a hoe once and the raccoon fell dead.

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William C. Adams, member of the Massachusetts Fish and Game commission is the new president of the International Association of Fish, Game and Conservation Commissioners. He was elected at the 14th annual convention of that organization in session in Madison, Wis. The election was unanimous. For many years Adams has been one of the leading spirits of the international association and for two years has served as vice-president. Director of the division of fisheries and game of the Massachusetts body, he was first appointed commissioner in 1913 to succeed George H. Garfield of Brockton.

POISON BOOZE KILLS EIGHT

Three Are Arrested for Causing Deaths in Brooklyn This Week.

New York.—Poison liquor has claimed eight victims in Brooklyn this week.

The police have taken into custody

Mrs. Adeline Reale, Mrs. Imelda Vatole and Michael Cafiero.

The three were held on charges of homicide growing out of the alcohol deaths and were held without bail for examination.

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NEW ENGLAND NEWS IN TABLOID FORM

News of General Interest
From the Six States

Her head on a Bible, Mrs. Elsie Gunther, 26, was found dead from gas poisoning, lying fully dressed on the kitchenette floor of her home in Hayfield.

The Massachusetts Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows in convention in Worcester, voted to purchase as a state headquarters for the order a three-story brick building with 2500 square feet of land at 170 Newbury street. Boston. It will also be used as a headquarters for the Massachusetts grand encampment.

Amalgamation of the six state undertakers' associations in New England into one body was advocated at the opening of the annual convention of the Massachusetts Undertakers Association in Springfield, Mass., by President George W. Streeter. The 600 undertakers attending the convention applauded the suggestion.

The Longdale Company, Providence, announces that it will refuse further to supply striking operatives who are behind in their bills with milk. Many of the strikers have not paid milk bills since the strike began last January. Those strikers who have settled with the company for milk received will continue to get their usual supply, it was announced.

According to officials of the company, approximately \$2000 is now outstanding in unpaid milk bills among the strikers.

William C. Adams, member of the Massachusetts Fish and

The Vacuum Man

By ROSE MEREDITH

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The young man with the vacuum cleaner paused at the foot of the steps and raised his straw hat.

"May I—" he was beginning, when Barbara smiled negligently.

"I am sorry, but we do not need a cleaner," she said pleasantly.

"Everybody needs one of these—that is, every household should have one." He pulled out a little book and studied it carefully. "It removes all the dirt from carpets, stuffed furniture, walls, bedding, curtains, clothing, without leaving a trace of dust behind. It is sanitary, speedy, and saving!" He panted breathlessly. "It is very warm today," he apologized, as he drew out an immaculate handkerchief.

"It is, and it must be very exhausting to talk to people and persuade them to buy," said Barbara primly, for she had been taught not to enter into conversation with strangers, and yet he had very engaging manner and resembled Alice Westerly so strongly that she wanted to ask him if they were related. This was hardly likely, because Alice belonged to a rich and clannish family and all the members of the family were affluent and very prominent.

Barbara was pouring out a glass of lemonade—it was a tall, thin glass, frosty and inviting, with the yellow rind of lemon and a long-straw float;

put this in the sales department, of which one day he is to be the head. Uncle Dick says Rod will make good. Aunt Little says her poor boy must not be humiliated, and we think Rod's a good sport!"

"He, really is—and I hope he will succeed," declared Barbara, as she poured another cup of tea.

"He has the most captivating manner—he could charm the birds from the trees, and he could make any woman buy a cleaner, whether she wanted it or not!"

"He couldn't persuade me to buy one," retorted Barbara.

"Barby! Did he come here?" Alice caught her friend's little hands and held them captive.

"About an hour ago," confessed Barbara, her cheeks hot.

"How funny! And you thought he was a real agent and turned him away?" giggled Alice.

"I sent him to father—he was very courteous—and—piece. I gave him a glass of iced lemonade—there, that's all!" Barbara was furious with herself for blushing, with Alice for her insane giggling and above all with Rodney Marvin, who was beginning at the bottom by selling vacuum cleaners. "And I hate vacuum cleaners!" she burst forth viciously.

Voces sounded from the hall and three people came into the veranda—Barbara's parents and Mr. Rodney Marvin, cool, calm, immaculate.

"Thank you, Mrs. Greye," he was saying, "your order shall be the first one on my book," and he scribbled in a new notebook, while all of them looked at him with varied degrees of interest.

Mrs. Greye thought he was a promising young business man. Her husband coveted him as a partner in his business. Alice Westerly thought Rodney was very "nervy" to invade the homes of the well-to-do and make himself so thoroughly one of them while he concealed his identity.

What did Barbara think? She never told anyone for many months, and when she did speak—she told Rodney.

And on the day of the wedding the electric current was turned into the town of Meadowbank, and it is safe to calculate that in every household there was a Marvin vacuum cleaner.

HAS VARIETY OF MEANINGS

In Continental Europe, Bunch of Straw Speaks "Little Language of Its Own."

The bunch of straw in Continental Europe has as many meanings as a Chinese word. It is quite a little language in itself. When seen in the midst of a field tied to a post far from human habitation, it is a warning against trespass. The peasant knows that he will be arrested or punished if found within the boundaries of a field so marked, for the field has been lately sown with seed. Woe to the sportsman or traveler who fails to understand this sign language.

A small upright sign scarcely ever more than two feet long and much like a miniature torpedo boat standing on end is not a cigar, as the first glance would cause one to suppose. To be sure, it hangs outside a cigar shop and resembles a bad imitation of a cigar, but it is in truth shaped and tied about like the original packages of tobacco brought to the country.

These packages, called "cigettes," were of a size were large in the middle and tapering towards the ends, such signs originated when many of those who had learned to smoke had not learned to read.

Red lights, which shine from afar at night, show to all smokers how their can replenish their stock. But the unwary stranger may bring up some night in the police station, for the red light is not only a sign of the tobacconist, but of the watchhouse as well.—New York Herald.

Colony of Georgia.

Georgia, the thirteenth colony, was founded in the spirit of benevolence for the poor. The laws of England permitted imprisonment for debt. Thousands of English laborers, who through misfortune and thoughtless contracts had become indebted to the rich, were annually arrested and thrown into jail. Whole families were destitute or starving. To provide a refuge for these down-trodden poor of England and the distressed Protestants of other countries, James Oglethorpe, the philanthropist, a member of parliament, appealed to George II for the privilege of planting a colony in America. The petition was favorably heard and June 9, 1732, a royal charter was issued by which the territory between the Savannah and Altamaha rivers, and westward from the upper fountains of those rivers to the Pacific, was organized and granted to a corporation for twenty-one years, to be held in trust for the poor. In honor of the king of England the province was named Georgia.

Mum.

BILL—Is it possible to confide a secret in you?

PHIL—Certainly, I will be as silent as the grave.

BILL—Well, then, I have pressing need for two bucks.

PHIL—Worry not, my friend. It is as if I had heard nothing.—American Legion Weekly.

Bits of Information.

The phrase "a feather in his cap" originated in an old custom in Hungary, which forbade any one to wear a feather in his cap unless he had killed a Turk.

Lard Fish in India.

In India certain species of fish can live out of water a day or two, and on a hot summer's day they may be seen making their way rather clumsily across the fields.

On the Shiftless Shift.

First Laborer—"Are ye workin' Joe?" Second Laborer—"Sure, I got a cloudy fixin' de trolley tracks. I have to quit every minute or so to let da cars pass"—Life.

CONDENSED CLASSICS

THE CRISIS

By WINSTON CHURCHILL

Condensation by William Howard Taft, ex-President of the United States

If Winston Churchill did not succeed in his attempt to become governor of New Hampshire, he has had a different result in his appeal to the outrage of American readers. His books have appealed to the public in increasing numbers as the years have gone by, beginning with "The Celebrity" in 1898, and "Richard Carvel" in 1900. He later laid a claim foundation for the favor he has enjoyed in "The Crisis," 1901, and "The Crossing," 1904. "Colonial," 1906; "Mr. Crève's Career," 1909; "A Modern Chronicle," 1910; "The Inside of the Cup," 1913; "A Far Country," 1915; "The Dwelling Place of Light," 1917, show his continued activity.

The universality have shown the approval of his honest purpose and growing power by giving him an honorary A. M., a Litt. D., and an LL. D.

He is a beautiful humor home at Windsor, Vt., or Corse, N. H. (where you are to one town if you go to the railroad station, the other if you visit the post office). There President Wilson spent one of his many interrupted vacations in the author's house, Harliden Hall.

THE scene is laid chiefly in St. Louis between 1857 and 1865.

Stephen Brice, of the Brahmin class of Boston, after his father's business failure and death, came with his mother to St. Louis, there to study and practice law in the office of his father's friend, Judge Silas Whipple.

Virginia Carvel, the only child of Colonel Conyn Carvel, was beautiful and distinguished. The colonel was of an old Maryland family. He was the leading dry goods merchant of St. Louis and a veteran of the Mexican war.

Judge Whipple was taciturn and abrupt. He concealed a generous heart under a forbidding exterior. He slept in his office. He was a "black" Republican. He secured clients because they needed his professional ability.

He took Sunday dinner at Colonel Carvel's, where the discussion over slavery in Virginia's hearing went on with a plainness of speech that only the lifelong friendship of the two men could have made possible. Colonel Carvel was the highest type of a Southern gentleman.

Mrs. Brice, Stephen's mother, bore her reduced fortune with dignity and with high hope in her son's future and a spirit of sacrifice in his interest.

Elphreet Hopper was a New Englander, in Colonel Carvel's employ. Industries and saving, he was discreditable and mean, valuing only financial success and cherishing jealousy of others' good fortune.

Clarence Colfax, the son of a rich widow, was Virginia's cousin. He ran horses, he fought gamecocks. He had a "commanding indecence." He believed society based on slavery was divinely appointed. Masterful, courageous, athletic and handsome, he was a true cavalier, useless except for war.

The story is well told. The plot is not forced and maintains one's interest to the end. Stephen Brice is almost too perfect. The author speaks feelingly of the anxiety of novelists to avoid this danger. Virginia's character is perhaps better done, because easier to endow with attractive failings. Judge Whipple and Colonel Carvel are admirably drawn.

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est in the bearing of wounded soldiers and of Judge Whipple, whom a fatal illness had overtaken. Brice as a lieutenant was in the battle about Vicksburg and found Colfax badly wounded in the captured city. He sent him North to St. Louis, where he was nursed by Virginia. Colfax had distinguished himself by dare-devil exploits of great usefulness to his cause. Virginia was enthused by his patriotic devotion to the cause she loved and their engagement was the result. Brice was wounded in the campaigns after Vicksburg and also returned to St. Louis.

The climax of the story comes at the deathbed of Judge Whipple. Colonel Carvel, though in the rebel army, returns to see his daughter. Hearing of Whipple's illness, he visits Whipple's office, where he finds Virginia and Colfax. In the latter's hurried withdrawal to chase a spy who proves to be Elphreet Hopper, Virginia and Brice, unexpectedly to each, are thrown together. She is surprised into a betrayal and full realization of her interest in him. Hopper eludes Colfax and creeps into Whipple's outer office. By corrupt transactions with Federal quartermasters he has become a rich man and the real owner of the Carvel business. He finds Virginia alone and threatens, unless she marries him, to betray her father to the Union authorities as a spy. Brice appears, strikes Hopper down, defuses him with a counter-threat of prosecution for corruption. This rids the story of Hopper.

Colfax goes South after Virginia has broken their engagement. He is subsequently captured as a spy. Brice identifies him and then intervenes with Sherman to save his life. Meantime, Brice is sent by Sherman to City Point with dispatches. There he meets Lincoln again. Lincoln remembers him and invites him to become his aid.

The story closes with the visit of Virginia to Lincoln at the White House, for the pardon of Colfax. Lincoln had heard of the circumstances, sees Virginia, and brings in Brice. After a conversation in which there is revealed to Virginia the constant sorrow of Lincoln's soul and his deep sympathy for the Southern people, he pardons Colfax and leaves Brice and Virginia to that mutual confession of love of which each had long been conscious. They were married at once, but their honeymoon was darkened with the sudden taking off of the great American.

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UNCOVER ANCIENT COLOMBIAN CITY

Explorers for Field Museum Find

Place That Was Once a World Center.

ITS POPULATION WAS IMMENSE

Inhabitants Were Expert Builders of Houses and Roads and Were Skillful in Making Gold Ornaments.

Chicago.—Ruins of an ancient city of great size, hitherto unknown, have been uncovered in Colombia by the South American archaeological expedition of the Field Museum of Natural History, working under the leadership of Dr. J. A. Mason. The ruins of the city, or collection of villages, are in a portion of Colombia now uninhabited and almost unknown to science. It is evident, the museum announced today, that this was once one of the great centers of population of the world, but today even its name is unknown.

The finds to date indicate that in ancient times the country was densely inhabited by settled agricultural tribes who were semidivided. They were expert builders and possessed great skill in the working of gold and precious stones.

ANCIENT POPULATION TREMENDOUS.

Mr. Mason sent the following message regarding the discoveries he has made thus far:

"There must have been a tremendous population here at one time, as the country is covered with house sites.

The region is very mountainous, and the houses, which were of wood, were built on terraces made with retaining walls.

In the center of each terrace there are entering steps of beautifully cut stone, and, if the main path is far below, other steps are built to connect the terrace with it.

The principal place where I have been working has a long staircase of 43 steps, all made of nicely cut quadrangular stone slabs. Instead of the Indian road, of which I have heard, there are thousands of them, all through the mountains. There are apparently wide roads connecting the main sites."

ROADS SKILLFULLY BUILT.

"All are paved with flat water-worn rocks of more or less uniform size, the small paths being a single line of such stones, while the more important roads are four feet or more wide and edged with upright stones. When the way ascends or descends the stones are set as steps."

"On the side of almost every house there can still be found the metate, or grinding slab, on which the family ground its corn. In all the villages we have found quantities of broken pottery, mostly fragments of large undecorated jars. Some were decorated with relief ornaments and there is one sort of very fine black pottery which is incised or carved."

The ancient inhabitants of this country decorated themselves with gold ornaments and buried these with their dead. The early Spaniards are known to have taken fabulous quantities of gold from the ancient graves and the further work of the expedition should bring to light many objects of value and interest, it was said.

Specimens already received at the museum include gold bells, small beautifully made gold figures and ornaments of shell, carnelian and slate.

The most valuable acquisition is a complete set of ornaments worn by a native priest in the performance of his religious duties.

The expedition is supported by the endowment of research given to the museum by Capt. Marshall Field.

HONESTY BUREAU IN SCHOOLS.

New York.—A suggestion by criminals will probably be endorsed by New York schools. Dr. William Forbush, who is forming an "honesty bureau" in the schools, said that as the result of pleas made by men in prisons, "Honesty is the best policy" courses will be added to the curriculum.

Doctor Forbush added: "We plan to organize the schools into courts of honesty where honesty will be an active virtue. Criminals have written me saying that if they had been instructed in the art of wrongdoing they might not be in the position they now are."

CROW GUIDES LOST MAN.

Stroudsburg, Pa.—The crowing of a rooster saved the life of William Warner, who became lost in a cranberry swamp near Tannersville. Warner wandered for a long time, and finally was caught in the soft, boggy land up to his waist. After he succeeded in dragging himself out and got onto firmer land, he was so tired and weary that he realized that he might again be mired. Hardly daring to move he heard the rooster crow, and followed the sound until he reached a farmhouse.

USES FATHER AS DOORMAT TO SAVE HIM.

Sweeping him off as she would a doormat after she knocked him down, a daughter of Josiah Smith, ninety-five years old, of Sayville, N. Y., saved the aged man's life when he was attacked by a swarm of bees. The insects swarmed on Mr. Smith and stung him from head to foot. His daughter came to his rescue with a broom, knocked him down and swept the bees away. Mr. Smith is in a serious condition, but will recover.

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AIRPLANES FIND LOST LAKES

New York-Nome Flyers Discover Bodies of Water Never Before Put on Maps.

Locating and photographing undiscovered lakes in the national forests of Alaska are the latest uses to which the airplane has been put, says the forest service, United States Department of Agriculture.

It has long been known that there are many lakes on the headlands and islands traversed by the Inside Passage between Seattle and Skagway that do not appear on any map. During the New York-Nome flight made by army aviators lakes were frequently sighted which could not be found on the latest and most authentic maps of the territory. Tales of unknown water bodies are constantly being brought in by the trappers and prospectors. Less than a year ago a lake four-and-one-half miles long and one-half mile wide was discovered at the head of Short bay. This lake has more than 1,000 acres of surface area and is less than one and one-quarter miles from tidewater, yet because of the surrounding country's rough topography has remained unknown and unnamed.

Recognizing that many others of these "lost lakes" may be sources of valuable water power, the forest service has laid plans to map this northern land of the north by means of aerial photographs. A few days' flight, it is said, will be sufficient to cover the area with a degree of accuracy that would require many years and great expense to accomplish by ordinary methods.

The work, which has been approved by the federal power commission, will be done by seaplane, flying from Ketchikan as a base.

BEADS ALWAYS IN DEMAND

Natives of West Africa Gladly Exchange Gold Dust for Trinkets Brought Them by Traders.

Beads in ancient days were used in other ways than merely as ornaments. There are the "ngiri" beads, for instance, which are supposed to have been made by the Phoenicians and which are so highly prized by some of the natives of the west coast of Africa that they give gold dust and nuggets and slaves in exchange for them. Of course, many of these primitive races have no money even now, and, therefore, they barter, and beads are some of the things they like so much that they will give valuable things in exchange for them. Sometimes ships have sailed from European and American ports with a cargo consisting chiefly of common beads, such as we know, as that is what certain native races like to trade with. The "ngiri" beads are ancient barter beads, and they form part of the royal jewels of the kings of Ashantee. Up to about fifty years ago, as a general rule, they fetched their weight in gold, and some of the rarer sorts one and a half, to twice their weight in gold. They are really very pretty, and are of many different colors.—Christian Science Monitor.



SHE WASN'T SO MUCH
Ella—Fred says I look good enough to eat.

Stella—The doctor won't let him eat much; he's troubled with indigestion.

Bath in West Africa.

The Banjo of West Africa makes elaborate preparations for a real soak by digging a hole in the ground, to which he puts seven herbs, a quantity of peppers, cardamom seeds and bushes, then he pours in a lot of boiling hot water. After he gets in, a light frame covered with clay is put over the hole to keep in the steam. After hours of steaming the bather emerges and is washed off with clean water, then kneaded by a professional for one hour, when he dons his scanty clothing and goes his way "shivering with cleanliness."

BATTLE AGAINST BARBERRY PLANT

Digging Must Be Complete and Thorough In Order Not to Leave Pieces of Roots.

BUSHES DIFFICULT TO KILL

Large Number of Seedlings Sometimes Are Found Growing Under Dead Plants That Were Dug When in Fruitage Stage.

Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.

In carrying on the fight against the common barberry, the plant that harbors stem rust of wheat, the United States Department of Agriculture has found that it is very important to do the job of digging thoroughly and to destroy plants having berries, even though they are only partly matured. The bushes are hard to kill, and seeds



The Proper Way to Remove Barberry Bushes Is to Dig Deep Enough to Remove All the Roots.

from plants that were dug August 1 produced a high percentage of seedlings.

After the bushes are taken out the tops should be separated from the crown and balls of earth shaken from the roots. Grubbed bushes, lying on the ground, have been found producing green leaves. In such cases one or more roots were in contact with the soil. Some of the grubbed bushes were completely severed from the soil, but there was enough earth left on the roots to hold moisture until secondary roots were formed. This condition happens most frequently in wet weather or in moist woodlands.

Seedlings Under Dead Bushes.

Great numbers of seedlings sometimes are found growing under dead bushes that were dug when in fruit. The last of September berries were collected from bushes dug August 1, and 1,000 of them (about 2,000 seeds) were scattered on loose earth and lightly covered with dirt and leaves. The following June there were 282 seedlings on this area. The same number of berries were collected from standing bushes at the same time and sown under similar conditions. The following June there were 907 seedlings on the area, showing that the immature seeds were almost as viable as the matured ones. It is probable that seeds from bushes grubbed out even before August will grow, and for this reason it is important, says the department, to destroy them.

Advisable to Watch Sprouts.

It also is advisable to watch the sprouts that may come up where old barberry plants have been taken out. These sprouts produce seed much earlier than bushes that grow directly from seeds. Bushes were dug in the fall of 1920. That same fall sprouts were produced, and during the following year they grew vigorously. By 1922 these plants were bearing flowers in abundance. This summer, therefore, special attention must be given to places where bushes were dug in 1920 or earlier, says the department.

KEEN INTEREST IN POULTRY

Between 50 and 75 Letters Seeking Information Received by Animal Industry Bureau.

Many requests for information on poultry raising—averaging between 50 and 75 letters a day since early in the year—are reported by the bureau of animal industry, United States Department of Agriculture. In addition the supply of poultry literature distributed by the division of publications has surpassed the records of all previous years.

The department's literature on poultry raising is unusually complete, ranging from discussions of the principal breeds of poultry to management, housing, incubation, brooding and culling. The department's poultry publications include more than thirty bulletins for general distribution and many others of technical character on special phases of poultry work.

Early Waterway Builder.
Francis Egerton Bridgewater (1736-1803) was called the "Father of inland Navigation in Great Britain." He completed a navigable canal connecting the cities of Liverpool and Manchester, and promoted the Grand Trunk canal navigation.

WALNUT AND HICKORY TREES HURT BY PEST

Species of Snout-Beetles Attack Immature Fruits.

Methods of Controlling Nut-infesting Curculios Include Burning Fallen Nuts and Spraying With Arsenate of Lead.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Several species of snout-beetles nearly related to the common plum curculio attack the immature fruits, tender shoots and leaf petioles of walnut and hickory trees. A discussion of four such species, all belonging to the genus Conotrachelus, which closely resemble one another in appearance, habits and seasonal activities, is given in United States Department of Agriculture Bulletin 1008, Curculios That Attack the Young Fruits and Shoots of Walnut and Hickory, by Fred E. Brooks, entomologist.

Special characteristics of the butternut curculio, the black-walnut curculio, the hickory nut, the hickory-shoot curculio are separately described. Methods of controlling nut-infesting curculios include burning the fallen nuts, spraying the leaves which they eat with arsenical poisons, and spraying the nut trees with lead arsenite. While the dropping of curculio-infested walnuts and hickory nuts before the larvae in them mature affords an opportunity for destroying the young insects by collecting and burning or otherwise disposing of the fallen nuts, this method is successful only in cases of isolated trees or plantations. Lead arsenite applications on the stems, leaves and fruit, soon after growth starts in the spring, can be counted on to give good results in reducing injury from butternut and black-walnut curculios. Spraying walnut trees with lead arsenite at a strength of six pounds to fifty gallons of water is an effective method of controlling the butternut curculio.

HENS HAMPER GRASSHOPPERS

Make Better Showings on Infested Nebraska Farm Than Poison Powders Bring Profit.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

On the Scribner reclamation project, Mitchell, Nebraska, where the grasshopper pest has been particularly bad this year, various methods of control have been tried out. One of the most successful methods observed so far was used by a farmer who has a quarter-section of land.

Five hundred chickens divided into lots of 100 were kept in colony houses on 80 acres of the farm and moved about as occasion required. As a result, on the half of the farm where



Chickens on Free Range Devour Many Harmful Insects.

the chickens were pastured there were only about 20 per cent as many hopper as on the other 80 acres. This is a better showing than has been made on most of the fields where poison was distributed.

The owner and the renter found the method profitable. After they had used what they needed of the poultry for domestic purposes, and after the weasels and coyotes had taken their toll, the rest were marketed and brought in about 75 per cent of the original investment. This year the owner is stocking the farm with 1,000 chickens as insurance against the grasshopper pest.

PRODUCTION OF YOUNG TREES

Unless Allowed to Overload, They Will Not Be Injured by Rather Early Bearing.

Growers of fruits sometimes are alarmed because very young trees may set rather heavy crops of fruit. Since it is perfectly natural for fruit trees to bear, they will not be injured by early production unless allowed to overload.

As long as a tree makes a normal growth, fruit production will not hurt it. Peach and plum trees may produce considerable fruit at two or three years of age; even when only one year old they sometimes begin bearing.

Under the long system of pruning, which is now being so generally practiced, there is a tendency for trees to bear more heavily and earlier than under the old system of heavy cutting back. It has been noticed that despite rather heavy fruit production at an early age, such trees will make a fine growth and apparently there is no interference with their general condition.

While heavy thinning may be desirable in the case of young fruit trees, they may be allowed to bear some fruit, and the practice of those who pull it off seems to be unwarranted in the face of extended observations.

"Take Him Down a Peg."
To take a person down a peg or two is to cause him to suffer in dignity. The expression comes from the custom of lowering a ship's flag, which is regulated by a line attached to pegs. The higher the ship's colors are raised in saluting, the greater the honor.

NEW PARIS MODES

Dressmakers of France Concentrating on Novelties.

All Eyes Are Centered on Apparel for the Important Events Where Fashion Reigns.

Paris dressmakers for some time past have concentrated all their efforts on novelties for the season at Beauville, known to be the most chic resort in Europe, writes a Paris correspondent in the New York Tribune. Not one of them but is thinking of beautiful dresses for the seashore, smart restaurant gowns, startling toilettes for the races and casino dances, which will make the wearers a cynosure of all eyes. For all their beauty and novelty there is a refinement about these summer toilettes which cannot fail to win approval among women of taste. They are not so simple as last year's little black dresses, but they are discreetly or-

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ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Mercury, September 14, 1822

Perry's Victory.—The anniversary of this important National event was noticed here on Tuesday last. The Artillery Company, and the Independent Volunteers paraded on the occasion and fired salutes.

The steamboat Connecticut, Captain Bunker, arrived here on Thursday afternoon, in 22 hours from New York, with 40 passengers; among them were Capt. Biddle of the U. S. Navy, Mr. Matthews, the celebrated comedian, Mr. Crafts of Charleston, and others. The reports from New York by this boat as to the progress of the Yellow Fever are very discouraging. On Saturday six new cases and four deaths were reported, Sunday 4 new cases, Monday 5, Tuesday 8, and 2 deaths, and on Wednesday there were 11 new cases. New York is thoroughly alarmed.

Since the last report from the Hornet, Missipian Newton of this town and three more of the seamen, who were attacked by the fever, have died.

MARRIED in this town on Sunday morning last, by the Rev. Dr. Patten, Mr. John B. Newton to Miss Mary Peckham, daughter of Thomas Peckham, Esq.

Henry Bull still continues to advertise "New England Rum," made by the subscriber, and sold at his store next south of the Mercury Office." Ruggles, Allen & Co. offer for sale at their distillery "a constant supply of molasses and N. E. Rum." J. G. & S. Whitehorne offer for sale New Rum, by the barrel or hogshead, or in larger quantities. (Rum and lotteries seem to be the principal things advertised in those days. How the thirsty must sigh for those "good old times.")

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Mercury, September 14, 1872

The tenth of September has been observed almost annually for the last fifty-nine years, by the Newport Artillery Company. This year it was decided to spend the day at the Lawton house, Tiverton. The Company, numbering 80, rank and file, under the command of Lt. Col. A. P. Sherman, left the city at 8 o'clock and disembarked at Tiverton, where the day was spent in most enjoyable manner. Dinner was served at 1 p. m.

A dress parade followed, after which prizes were awarded. First, a beautiful gold medal, from Carl Hertgen, was awarded to Orderly Sergeant Jerry Horton; Second, the Sherman medal and a silver syrup dish, to Private George Slocum; Third, a gold-lined silver goblet, from Col. Powell, to Private Galen Davis. On the return a short parade was made, with a halt at the residences of the late Commodore William V. Taylor and the late Purser Thomas Deese, the former having been sailing master and the latter chaplain and aid to the Commodore, at the Battle of Lake Erie.

Captain A. J. Burdick is making extensive arrangements for the entertainment of the fire companies that are to visit us on Friday and Saturday next.

Mr. William H. Coggeshall, a native of Newport, was married in May, 1819. He and his wife are still living at Belvidere, Ill. In the 55 years of their married life there have been seven children, twenty-six grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and only one death, that of an infant grandchild.

The friends of Grant and Wilson have formed a "Boys in Blue" Club, with the following officers: Henry T. Easton Major, James T. Powell Adjutant, William J. Coezeins Quartermaster. Perry B. Dawley is Captain of the 1st Company and George C. Williams the 2d. The lieutenants are Henry Wilkey, Frank S. Hazard, Henry E. Turner, Jr., and Benj. Easton, Jr.

In 1860 the First Light Infantry Company of Providence presented Grace Church a bell on the condition "that it be rung on the 10th of September forever after, in memory of Perry's Victory on Lake Erie."

Mr. Edward E. Poor of Hackensack, N. J., who was rescued from drowning through the efforts of Capt. Kelley, has presented the Captain with a gold watch valued at \$100.

The Cuban filibuster Pioneer is to be sold at auction on Tuesday next at Newport.

The Watawpa pond is now lower than it has been before for forty years, and many of the Fall River mills are hampered for lack of water, the canals failing to supply the water for the engines.

Married in Providence Aug. 20, Mr. George Oakley to Miss Hattie C., daughter of the late Peleg Bryer, both of this city.

A gold watch and chain, two rings and about \$2 were stolen from the residence of Mr. David Coggeshall, on Academy street, on Tuesday afternoon.

The pair of the Grand Duke Alexis cost his pa half a million dollars.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Mercury, September 14, 1847

The funeral of the late Hon. Henry B. Fay was solemnized from Trinity Church at noon on Saturday, and was largely attended by representatives from all parts of the state. The pall bearers were ex-Governor Lippitt, ex-Major Powell, ex-State Senator Seabury, Col. Addison Thomas, Major T. K. Gibbs, Mr. George H. Norman and Mr. John Worthington.

The Ocean House closed on Monday after what all things considered, may be considered a fair season.

Mr. L. H. Carr, the well known newspaper correspondent, who has been housed nearly all summer with the Red Cross, is rapidly regaining his strength and expects to be back again in a week or two weeks.

Col. and Mrs. A. C. Landers returned Monday morning from a two weeks' outing at Old Point Comfort.

Mr. Herbert A. Kaull, upon whom Mr. Bill performed an operation for

appendicitis last week, is steadily improving and expects to leave the hospital within two weeks.

Congressman Bull made an extended cruise this week in sloop yacht Annie Steele. He had as guests Mr. W. T. Page of Washington, Major James Abbott of Providence, and Postmaster D. E. Young of this city.

Sloop yacht Mayflower, with the remains of the late Ogden Gooley on board, arrived here from Cowes, England, Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. John C. Burke of this city, has successfully passed an examination for admission to the bar of this state.

Ex-Commander Gerry and family are cruising on their yacht Electra.

Sergeant Griffith and Superintendent Deeman have gone with St. John's Commandery of Providence on a pilgrimage to Manchester, N. H.

Mr. Frank H. Wilks died at his residence on Lincoln street early Tuesday afternoon. He leaves a widow and three children, Lieut. Harry G. Wilks, of the Newport Naval Reserves, and the Misses Caroline B. and Nina M. Wilks, who have the sincere sympathy of a wide circle of friends.

Rev. M. Van Horne has returned from Richmond, Va., where on Sunday last he preached the annual sermon before the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, of the World. The service was in one of the most prominent churches in the city.

Miss Bertha L. Williams, bookkeeper, and Miss Josie Lynch, compositor, at the Mercury office, have been rustling during the past week on the shores of Lake Winnipesaukee in New Hampshire.

Gov. Dyer has appointed Col. John C. Wyman of Central Falls, John P. Sanborn of Newport, Hon. Charles H. Handy of Warren, Col. H. Anthony Dyer and Col. Samuel M. Nicholson, delegates to the Tennessee Centennial at Nashville.

President Andrews of Brown University has withdrawn his resignation and now all is serene on College Hill. Probably this is the best thing that could happen under the circumstances.

ANECDOTE OF THE REBELLION

In a book of Incidents and Anecdotes of the Rebellion, published in 1866, the year after the Civil War closed, we find the following anecdote:

"At Newport, R.I., on mustering in the new companies for military service, several minors were finally rejected,

because they did not present the certificate of consent from their parents.

One young man, his mother a widow,

had first enlisted and then went to his mother with a certificate for her signature.

But she not being willing

for him to go with her consent,

yet finally, after much persuasion,

said she would agree to do it on one

condition, namely, that her son should

thrust his finger at random through

the leaves of the closed Bible, and the

language of the text upon which it

rested should decide her action in the

matter. He did as she requested and

his finger, when the Bible was opened,

was found resting on the two follow-

ing verses: 2d Book of Chronicles;

20th Chapter, 16th and 17th verses:

"Tomorrow go ye down against them;

hold they come up by the cliff of Ziz;

and ye shall find them at the edge

of the brook before the wilderness of

Jeruel. Ye shall not need to fight in

this battle; set yourselves, stand ye

still, and see the salvation of the Lord

with you. O, Judah and Jerusalem,

fear not, nor be dismayed; tomorrow

go out against them, for the Lord will be with you." The thing was settled.

The mother consented. There was no

appeal from the very pointed text

which had been resorted to as the ar-

biter."

Can anyone enlighten us as to the

nature of that mother and son?

EARLY PRINTING IN NEWPORT

Nearly two hundred years ago Newport had one of the finest printing establishments in all the Colonies. It was owned and managed by James Franklin, the older brother of Benjamin, the great statesman of the early days of this country. James, the elder, ran the office for some years and after his decease, was managed for many years by his widow, Ann Franklin. Her imprint is seen on many pamphlets and books extant today. She was succeeded by her son James, who learned the trade from his Uncle Benjamin. It was this James who founded the Mercury, June 12, 1758. The Mercury was printed for many years on the press on which Benjamin worked in London. But to go back to James the elder. We have before us a handsome volume of over 600 pages, "Printed by James Franklin in Newport, in 1729." James Franklin in Newport, in 1729. There are quite a number of these books now in existence. The title is somewhat interesting. It is called "An Apology for the True Christian Divinity, as the Same is Held Forth, and Preached, by the People, called in Scorn."

QUAKERS:

Being A Full Explanation and Vindication of their Principles and Doctrines, by many Arguments, deduced from Scripture and Right Reason, and testimonies of Famous Authors, both ancient and Modern; with a full Answer to the strongest Objections usually made against them. Presented to the King:

Written in Latin and English

By Robert Barclay

And since Translated into High Dutch, Low Dutch, and French, for the information of Strangers. The Sixth Edition in English." Very few of the books of the present day present a better appearance than this volume, printed 100 years ago.

Palmistry Up-to-Date.

A Belgian fortune teller has adopted a modern method of palmistry. Those who wish to consult her are required to place their palms on a plaster mold, and from this imprint the seeress forecasts their character and future. The reading is dictated to a stenographer, typed, and mailed to the person interested.

Speed of Light.

Between the ticks of a watch a ray of light could move eight times around the earth.

Trackless Trolleys.

More than 100 miles of trackless trolley lines are in operation in England.

LADY ELEPHANT WON BY MAHOUT

Huge Beast in the London Zoo Is Persuaded to Abandon Her Strike.

IS SOOTHED BY HINDUSTANI

Native Indian Lectures Her Respectfully and Now She is Again Tractably Carrying Little Children.

Sheriff's Sale

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Newport, R. I., June 16th A. D. 1922.

BY VIRTUE and in pursuance of an Execution Number 3033 issued out of the Superior Court of Rhode Island within and for the County of Newport, on the second day of May, A. D. 1922, and returnable to the said Court November 2nd, A. D. 1922, upon judgment rendered by the said Court on the third day of April, A. D. 1922, in favor of the Plaintiff, in the sum of \$1,000.00, plus costs of suit, interest, and attorney's fees, and all the right, title and interest which the said Plaintiff, in the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, bounded and described as follows: All the right, title and interest of the said Dandolo Boloni in and to that certain parcel of land with the dwelling house and other improvements thereto attached situated in the City of Newport, in the County of Newport, in the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, bounded and described as follows: All the right, title and interest of the said Barker Building & Realty Company, in and to that certain parcel of land with the dwelling house and other improvements thereto attached situated in the City of Newport, in the County of Newport, in the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, bounded and described as follows: All the right, title and interest of the said Barker Building & Realty Company, in and 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